

BIBLE FACTS and FIGURES

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Jesus' Words and Deeds

Miracles of Jesus

Healing of individuals	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Son of government official				4:46-54
Sick man at a pool				5:1-15
Man in synagogue		1:21-28	4:31-37	
Man with skin disease	8:1-4	1:40-45	5:12-14	
Roman officer's servant	8:5-13		7:1-10	
Dead son of a widow			7:11-15	
Peter's mother-in-law	8:14-15	1:29-31	4:38-39	
An uncontrollable man	8:28-34	5:1-20	8:26-39	
Paralyzed man	9:1-7	2:1-12	5:17-26	
Woman with severe bleeding	9:20-22	5:25-34	8:43-48	
Dead girl	9:18-26	5:21-43	8:40-56	
Dumb man	9:32-34			
Man with a paralyzed hand	12:9-14	3:1-6	6:6-11	
Blind and dumb man	12:22		11:14	
Canaanite woman's daughter	15:21-28	7:24-30		
Deaf and dumb man		7:31-37		
Blind man at Bethsaida		8:22-26		
Boy with epilepsy	17:14-18	9:14-29	9:37-43	
Blind Bartimaeus	20:29-34	10:46-52	18:35-43	
Woman with a bad back			13:10-17	
Sick man			14:1-6	
Man born blind				9:1-41
Dead friend named Lazarus				11:1-44
Slave's ear			22:47-51	
Healing of groups				
Crowd in Capernaum	8:16-17	1:32-34	4:40-41	
Two blind men	9:27-31			
Crowd by Lake Galilee		3:7-12		
Crowd on the hillside by Lake Galilee	15:29-31			
Ten men			17:11-19	
Control over laws of nature				
Water changed into wine				2:1-11
Catch of fish			5:1-11	
Jesus calms a storm	8:23-27	4:35-41	8:22-25	
Crowds: over 5,000 people fed	14:13-21	6:32-44	9:10-17	6:1-13
Jesus walks on the water	14:22-33	6:45-52		6:16-21
Crowds: over 4,000 people fed	15:32-38	8:1-10		
A fish and the payment of taxes	17:24-27			
Fig tree withers away	21:18-22	11:12-14, 20-24		
Another catch of fish				21:1-11
Christ conquers death	28:1-10	16:1-11	24:1-12	20:1-18

Where do we find miracles in the Bible?

Most of the miracles in the Bible are clustered around a few people and events:

- **Moses** and the beginnings of the people of Israel
- **Elijah** and **Elisha** and the beginnings of the line of prophets who recalled their people to their covenant (agreement) with God
- **Jesus** and the beginning of the new Israel
- The **Apostles** and the founding of the Christian Church

Ten people raised from the dead

Zarephath widow's son

1 Kings 17:17-24

Shunammite woman's son

2 Kings 4:32-37

Man whose body touched Elisha's bones

2 Kings 13:20-21

People at Jesus' death

Matthew 27:50-53

Jesus

Matthew 28:5-8; Mark 16:6; Luke 24:5-7

Son of the widow of Nain

Luke 7:11-15

Jairus's daughter

Luke 8:41-42, 49-55

Lazarus

John 11:1-44

Dorcas

Acts 9:36-42

Eutychus

Acts 20:9-10



Parables and illustrations of Jesus

	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
About nature and farm life				
Birds and flowers	6:25-34	12:22-31		
A tree and its fruit	7:15-20		6:43-45	
The sower	13:1-9, 18-23	4:1-9, 13-20	8:4-8, 11-15	
Growing seed		4:26-29		
Unfruitful fig tree			13:6-9	
Weeds	13:24-30, 36-43			
Mustard seed	13:31-32	4:30-32	13:18, 19	
Lost sheep	18:10-14		15:1-7	
Workers in the vineyard	20:1-16			
Tenants in the vineyard	21:33-46	12:1-12	20:9-19	
Fig tree	24:32-35	13:28-31	21:29-33	
Sheep and goats	25:31-46			
Harvest time				4:35-38
The shepherd				10:1-18
Grain of wheat				12:20-26
The vine				15:1-17
About familiar things in Bible times				
Water				4:5-14 7:37-39
Salt	5:13			
Light	5:14-16	4:21, 22	8:16-18	12:35-36
Bread				6:25-35
House builders	7:24-27		6:46-49	
Patching clothes	9:16	2:21	5:36	
New wine	9:17	2:22	5:37-39	
Yeast	13:33		13:20-21	
The pearl	13:45-46			
The fishing net	13:47-50			
Lost coin			15:8-10	
About everyday life				
Unwilling children	11:16-19		7:31-35	
New truths and old	13:51-52			
Forgiveness	18:21-35			
Two sons	21:28-32			
The wedding feast	22:1-14		14:15-24	
Ten girls at a wedding	25:1-13			
Servants	25:14-30		19:11-27	
Debts and debtors			7:41-47	
Good Samaritan			10:25-37	
Friend in need			11:5-13	
Rich fool			12:16-21	
Watchful servants		13:33-37	12:35-40	
Humility and hospitality			14:7-14	
Cost of discipleship			14:25-33	
Lost son			15:11-32	
Shrewd manager			16:1-13	
Rich man and Lazarus			16:19-31	
A servant's duty			17:7-10	
The persistent widow			18:1-8	
Pharisee and tax collector			18:9-14	

Parables

Parables are stories based on everyday life. They teach a particular truth. There are different types of parables:

- **short sayings**, for example, "You are the light of the world." *Matthew 5:14*
- **longer sayings**, for example, "No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old cloak. If he does, the patch tears away from it, the new from the old, and a worse tear results." *Mark 2:21*
- **complete stories**, for example, Jesus relates the parable of the sower. *Luke 8:4-8*

Jesus' parables divided the listeners into two groups: those who wanted to understand and those who were unwilling or uninterested. To those who wanted understanding, they were a means of learning more.

John never speaks about parables, but he does use common things and everyday life to point to truths about God and God's world.



Jesus met the Samaritan woman at the well.